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Dear Carrie

We got your letter to day and I will write some this eve. we
got Paula to sleep right after supper. she gets
up early mos up about & this mornng she ^{Lane} slept in the bedroom last night with ~~Lane~~
Lane had a han last night; Jessie and
Ray slept on the floor as they could nat
very well sleep out here on the cat.
The fellow that comes to see Lane is from
Henderson his name is Bert Renner, that
is all I know about him. I did nat see
him as I had gone to bed before they came
Charley Dilly came with him Jessie said
she had to entertain him but they say he
is green Lane wold nat have anything to
do with him. Jessie's fellow works in the
store and could nat get away. I don't know
how t much longer Jessie is going to stay
she is talking of going to Ranges to work
they have gone over to see about it

my ~~6~~⁶ mon left \$ 52 not much money
now a ~~lot~~^{of} money buying robes & con cert
expenses my next reason to stay a week short or
long of course many more money to go to
this eve if she don't go there she will
go to Red Oak, she is trying to get Ray in
some home where he can be in school
she has been writing to different places but
has not decided yet what she will do, I think
when she gets him settled some place she intends
to try to get work at the Institution, I don't
know of any way to get Paula home until
Lanie goes she said to stay she thought she
would go about the 11 of sept, I expect you
will think that a long time for her to stay
away from you but I think she will be
perfectly contented to night after I undress her
she said she would like to see Mamma
and June and Pappa and Greba and Walter
and she would like to see Grebas doll, I
never saw such a girl for dolls, I got Mrs
Shels pattern to night and if we can get
one made ~~big~~ without her knowing it
I think we will and not wait until
Christmas, Lanie has not made her wrapper
yet she washed a piece and bailed it and put it



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out in the sun and it did not fade. she wanted to see if it would fade before she made it with a white yoke. she made her a white waist to day with a sailor collar yes we got the panties and eyes all right but I will have to wait until the hair comes off again before I can put the eyes in.

I read your letter to Eula and she laughed about Anna's carding hair, but she can't hardly understand about the letter business. I think you have had quite an experience with your sonage how will Ray get along without his little bed. We got a little catalogue of Montgomery Ward to ^{day} just a forefinger of the big one, and there is a nice couch advertised for \$75.00. Jessie Hart said Maggie Cook took an old lounge upholstered it in velvet and made it look just like one of the nice couches, Lanie or I either one could not burl the front of Eulas hair so it would look nice and done braided

you only come back now & if you
was good with you & don't eat more than you
want & only wash them up in my tub
you can't say you was not prepared for yourself
now & if you wash up before you go out
the front and tied it with ribbon and curled
the back, she has been real good she minds
less better than she does at home, if she
gets a little naughty I tell her that mamma said
if she was not good for me to shut her in the
bedroom and she will be real good, Lanie & Gerse
has got back Mrs Rantz did not hire her as she
said she said she did not need a girl now and she
could not afford to hire a girl until she needed her.
I must stop now as it is bed time Sunday afternoon,
I will finish this up now we all went to church this
morning Eula said she wanted to stay to sunday
school, said she would go with the little girls and
she went and sat with them but when I started back
she got afraid and came away and I brought her home.
I took her over to Kimmys this afternoon but she gets sleepy
and would not stay so I came home with her but
Elain and Harold were bath here and she got
make up and then went playing, I thought Gerse &
Ray were going away tomorrow but I heard her say
to day she was not going until Thursday, I am
getting awful tired of having Ray here, we had a big
watermelon for dinner to day half of it was all we
could eat, Lanie has got her some green shoestrings
this morning Eula got in my bed after I got up and
hugged her up to me I thought she was cold but she jerked
away I asked her if she did not like me she said yes she
liked everybody but she did not like to be
gathered up, I made some grape pies yesterday -